



Dan Brown alleges fraud & mismanagement at Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison

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Editor

At the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature held on February 19, Dan Brown, former Executive Manager of Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison, represented findings of an investigation on his former Food & Beverage Department. Brown said, "The Food & Beverage Department lost \$2 million, of actual money, due to fraud and mismanagement."

Innovative Gaming Solutions was hired to conduct the investigation that was completed in August 2012. Brown met with the Gaming Commissioners, Kyle Funmaker and Dan Blumer, as well as with President Jon Greendeer. Brown said, "When I met with the Office of the President, I advised them to take the 'not on my watch' approach. He did nothing. He told an outright lie to Representative Cloud. He said there was an ongoing investigation, but the investigation was done." President Jon Greendeer said, "The decision was made to have IGS go through each of the Nation's facilities." The IGS investigation findings will be available mid-March.

Brown continued, "When I came on board as Executive Manager at Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison, there was a temp agency, Baker Tilly, doing the accounting. We pay our Ho-Chunk Nation Accountants \$15 an hour, while the Baker Tilly Accountants were been paid \$55 an hour. As the executive manager, I was not going to eat this expense. The previous EM allowed it. I meet with them, said thanks for all your help, now you're going to train our accountants, and your services will no longer be needed. Within four months, they were gone."

Brown reported the Food & Beverage Director was fired on February 1, 2012, and the Chief Financial Officer was fired on February 3, 2012, due to a lot of mismanagement and wrong doings. One example Brown explained was the transfer of funds in the coupon line item into the F&B Director line item. Brown believes "It's a cover up" because the president knew of the wrong doings.

Brown said, "The former executive director of the Business Department, Carole Laustrop, could have prohibited the \$2 million loss, instead of chasing people out. Bob Fox, an employee at Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison, was fired in July 2012." Brown was subsequently fired as executive manager.

Representative Heather Cloud asked Brown why he didn't ask for Whistleblower Protection when he met with President Jon Greendeer about all these violations of laws. Brown said, "I did."

Rep. Cloud made a motion to move the Ho-Chunk Nation Police Department to the Judicial Branch. Cloud said, "This should be done because the Attorney General reports to the President. The President could give the AG directives to not enforce laws. This was a motion



made by my area."

Brown reported problems with a Variance Policy which gives a onetime forgiveness for shortages of \$100 or more. He said, "There was an incident where \$100 bills were loaded into the \$1 bill spot leading to a \$10,000.00 shortage and that employee kept their job under this one time forgiveness rule."

Representative Forrest Whiterabbit stated we should have exit interviews for employees. Whiterabbit also asked Brown, "What do you know about two Business Department employees receiving all expenses paid trip to Aruba where a cigarette distribution deal was made?" Brown said he didn't have information on that, but that he heard it happened.

Tribal member, Sid Lewis, asked Brown what corrective action he would recommend. Brown said, "Integrity. Take care of it. The politics be damned. Do the right thing."

Ho-Chunk Nation President Jon Greendeer said, "Action isn't taken fast enough. He is right. There is theft going on in at least one of our facilities. It is not tolerated. He has every right to represent his findings. There was no attempt to minimize this issue. It good to get perspectives. Dan wants to clear his name. I can see him in a position of leadership within the Ho-Chunk Nation again. We are seek-

ing a legitimately conclusive end result. Investigations of all facilities Food & Beverage Departments are taking place. Not sharing information was not to be dishonest. The Office of the President wants to play the jaji role in this."

Greendeer continued, "Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison is the furthest away from the Ho-Chunk Nation Headquarters and has always had the lowest number of Ho-Chunk tribal member employees. People have to know what's going on down there. I'm not going to provide a reactionary response to Dan's presentation. This is the first time I'm hearing some of this information. I'm going to work towards the mend."

Rep. Cloud made a motion to have the FBI investigate the fraud and mismanagement.

Tribal member, Saresa Ryckman, asked President Greendeer why he didn't do anything right away. She said, "You are elected to do a job. Why didn't you act on learning of theft?" Greendeer said, "I don't believe I allowed theft to happen. We hired an investigation firm. We worked with the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Justice, Surveillance in the scope of review, had third party review. The action has ceased. I wish it happened faster."

Attorney General Sheila Corbine provided this response to Dan Brown's pre-

sentation during the Legislative Meeting:

The food and beverage investigations are being conducted by Innovative Gaming Systems (IGS) in conjunction with some assistance from HCG Surveillance Departments. IGS is a company that has extensive knowledge not only on gaming investigative issues but food and beverage issues as well. They completed a thorough investigation on the food and beverage at HCG-Madison in 2012 and as an extension of that investigation they have been asked to analyze similar data at the Nation's other food and beverage venues in the gaming facilities. IGS anticipates that this investigation along with detailed reports will be completed by mid-March 2013.



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Food & Beverage Update

In March of 2012, my office was made aware of allegations of theft at HCG-Madison. The allegations centered on the Food and Beverage Department and were mainly related to the unauthorized preparing and taking of food and other assets by employees.

My office immediately began the process of an internal investigation into the matter. The preliminary findings indicated that there was an issue at the facility, that it was very serious, and that it had been occurring for several years.

These preliminary findings warranted the retention of an outside firm with the experience and expertise in fraud and theft detection to be hired to conduct a more thorough investigation of the matter. Innovative Gaming Solutions was engaged soon after and began a thorough investigation into the situation. Both internal and external investigations focused on the previous 4 years of operations.

The investigation of the Madison facility was completed in August 2012, and staff from my office, the Ho-Chunk Nation Gaming Commission, Surveillance, and HCG-Madison met to go over the results. At that time, a full copy of the investigation was made available to the Gaming Commission, Department Of Justice, Surveillance, and all other relevant staff.

It was discovered that over a period of 4 years, the Nation had incurred a loss which totaled in value to approximately \$2 million. A vast majority of this loss was attributed to gross mismanagement and negligence which resulted

in loss due to spoilage, poor portion control, and poor inventory control.

The findings also indicated that there was a great loss due to the theft of Nation property in the form of providing free meals for employees from the Food and Beverage Department and elsewhere in the facility. The findings indicate the Food and Beverage Department had instituted a program whereby employees were allowed one free meal per shift. This can be a great motivational tool for employees, but it was clearly taken advantage of and quickly spiraled out of control resulting in calculable loss to the Nation. For years, tacit acceptance by not enforcing any policies requiring employees to pay for their food instilled a culture which became a widespread practice.

Upon these findings, there was action taken at the facility in question to release personnel whom represented a continued risk to the Nation's assets. There was also a decision to expand the investigation to encompass all of the Nation's facilities so that we could determine if this was an isolated series of events or a symptom of a much broader issue.

IGS was asked, based on their knowledge of our failed controls, to establish a system of procedures and protocols for the Food and Beverage Departments to follow so that the mismanagement and negligence which lead to this loss would not be repeated and that the Nation's assets would be better protected. Those protocols have been established and training and monitoring at our facilities has begun in earnest. We are very happy to be able to state that we have taken the action

necessary to not only stop this practice which has taken place for years, but have also proactively put in measures to prevent it from happening again in the future.

The investigation was not just limited to one department or even one facility. It included all facilities, other departments, and other individuals. Preventing further risk was first priority. Once done, knowing lives may be affected, the forthcoming action would not be done with haste and we would err on the side of caution so as not to compromise the results of the more full investigation, which I have been informed will be completed and made available to us in mid-March. Upon receipt of these results, the proper compliance & regulatory entities will continue to be diligent in the review to make sure our assets are as secure as possible, and our regulatory and legal staff will be looking to make recommendations as far as prosecution and reconciliation options to pursue.

I need to address a comment made directly. At no point and time was there ever an effort to cover up any of the information gathered or to hide the results of the investigation. There is a distinct difference between suppressing information and holding information confidential in order to protect the integrity of an ongoing investigation. All information has been held by compliance and justice officials until the investigation was completed in its totality. This information was also readily available for other officials and regulatory agencies within the Nation if desired. I feel it's important to continue to be forthcoming with

information about this issue, but I will also be prudent so that I do not damage the potential to uncover more areas that need our immediate attention.

A number of other allegations have been raised, a number of them very serious in nature. My administration will investigate these matters with the same diligence and seriousness as we have all other matters. However, we also need to remember that ultimately, we are dealing with human beings, fellow Ho-Chunks, and their lives. I have a responsibility to ensure every approach is cautious and caring in the conduct of these investigations and to not pass a hasty judgment against those who've been accused by a few individuals. If wrongdoing is found to have been done, then those responsible will be held accountable. If the allegations prove to be false, then we need to make sure those who have been accused are protected, their names cleared, and their futures are not further impacted by unsubstantiated allegations. We will continue to put forward our best efforts to ensure to the tribal membership that the remainder of this work will be resolved.

Any reasonable means of reconciling losses or applying federal law is not off the table. This is a unique situation and although it is distinct from common theft, it resulted in great loss over years. Legal resources are standing by to advise further measures.

It's important to note that the administration in cooperation with other entities and individuals, have acted with immediacy to protect the assets and the security of

the Nation. While this is an issue that predates my taking office, right after we were made aware of the situation, decisive action was taken to bring it to a halt. The concerted work of our own agencies stopped rampant and ongoing hidden loss, and is eliminating deficient and negligent management practices so that no future gaming manager, executive manager, director, attorney, or administration will ever have to deal with this situation again.

Much work needs to be done and in no way can this be a final product. This will be ongoing and it is not the work of any one person. I have witnessed this issue bring out the worst feelings among individuals and it weighs heavily on many others. This may be why many Ho-Chunk people have come together to see this through and I was told that this is a very substantial test to see if we are going to remain true to our laws, even at the most difficult times. I was told this is how we grow and that our struggles have made us stronger. We cannot leave a legacy of passing up things that need to be fixed for our next generation. My friends and relatives, I am resolved that we have stepped onto the right path to resolving the Food & Beverage issues and made a healthy change that our next generation will not have to inherit.

We will see this matter through until it is closed. Thank you for standing with our Nation as we grow, as we learn and as we unite.

*Maqşuşga
Jon Greendeer
Ho-Chunk Nation President*

Excellent review for HCN Tribal Roads Program

Submitted by Collin Price, Public Relations Officer

The Bureau of Indian Affairs, Midwest Region Branch has given the Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Roads Program an excellent report following a review that was conducted in December. Regional Director, Diane Rosen stated "The Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Roads Program is clearly among the best in the country. Their knowledge, experience, and professional dedication to delivering the highest quality transportation service to the tribe, is second to none."

The purpose of the review was to access the progress and suitability of the program services, activities and functions accomplished for the Tribal Transportation Program, contracts with the Ho-Chunk Nation, under the Self-Determination Act, Title

I of Public Law 93-638, as amended. The review covered all program functional areas, but primarily focused on record keeping, tracking of expenditures, transportation planning, project development /construction management, road maintenance, along with discussion on various program oversight responsibilities for the program.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Transportation Program is located in Tomah, Wisconsin under the direction of Garrett Blackdeer, Tribal Roads Director. During this time, they have successfully ensured the delivery of the Tribal Transportation Program by providing quality practices and procedures in the areas of transportation planning, design, contracting, construction and financial management. In a statement made by President Greendeer

regarding the news he stated;

"Garrett and his team have done an exceptional job by providing our Nation with a cutting edge program to compete for federal funding against larger land base tribes such as the Navajo, to provide this service to our tribal members is huge to everyone and words can't express our gratitude to him and his team, along with continuous efforts by Representative Littlejohn to ensure funding levels will be maintained to serve our tribal and surrounding communities."

Tribal governments may use their funds to carry out future planning, research, design engineering, construction and maintenance of Tribal Transportation eligible highway, road, bridge, parkway or transit facility programs for projects.

Freedom from Smoking

Submitted by Louise Voss, Community Health Educator

The Ho-Chunk Nation is gearing up for its next round of Freedom from Smoking classes. Freedom from Smoking is a 7 week long course with 8 sessions. Each session is about 1.5 to 2 hours long. Freedom from Smoking is a proven quit smoking program developed by the American Lung Association. The Freedom from Smoking program is a very effective program to help you quit smoking. It focuses on behavior change, maintenance, follow-through, and helps you develop your own individual quit plan. The classes will be taught at two locations. The House of Wellness in

Baraboo which will start Wednesday March 13th and go thru April 24th the time will be 10:00am to noon.

If you are interested in signing up, contact Christine Swanson at 608-356-1240. The second location will be at the Ho-Chunk Health Care Center in Black River Falls. Classes will start Monday April 8th and run thru May 20th the time will be 10:00am to noon. If you are interested contact Louise Voss or Holly Rodenberg at 715-284-9851. If you are an employee of the Ho-Chunk Nation there may be paid admin leave time 2 hours/week available, if approved by your supervisor. Class size is limited so sign up soon.

Minutes in Motion Coulee Region Activity Challenge

Kathleen Clemons,
Exercise Physiologist,
Diabetes Educator

On March 25th, the Minutes in Motion Fitness Challenge sponsored by Gundersen Lutheran will start. Last year we had 175 sign up and logged 139,531 minutes. Can we do better? YES WE CAN! The goal this year will be to increase our participants and beat our minutes from last year. Plus, we will be doing our own competition within the Ho-Chunk Nation so not only can you potentially win the Gundersen Lutheran prizes, you could win some others. Let's get as many people from the Ho-Chunk Nation involved as possible. Anyone from any area can participate. In addition, Ho-Chunk Nation is the sponsor of the \$500.00 prize this year. The challenge works by you registering on their site (IT IS FREE) and logging your activity for 6 weeks. The activity goal is 210 minutes a week (30 minutes a day) and then reporting your minutes on their site at 3 and

6 weeks OR you can do it daily. They also have logs that you can print out to track your progress. If 210 minutes is too much, than just do what you can and log those. You can start registering as of February 11th but the challenge does not start until March 25th and you cannot start counting your minutes until then. Here is how you sign up:

1. Log onto www.balanceyour7.com/minutes-in-motion
2. Click on the gray "register now" icon towards middle of page
3. Fill in your name
4. Under registration type, click on Company Team
5. Under team name type in Ho-Chunk Nation.
6. Fill in more info - your address - your choice - can be home or work
7. UNDER EMPLOYER START TYPING IN HO-CHUNK NATION. A DROP DOWN BOX WILL APPEAR TO RIGHT WITH HO-CHUNK NATION LISTED. CLICK ON THAT.

8. Fill in the rest of the info (email, age) and then click on submit registration

9. After that is all done, click submit and then you will get two numbers; one is your personal ID number which you will use to submit your minutes and then a team number which is 22753 for the Ho-Chunk Nation. IF YOU GET ANY TEAM NUMBER OTHER THAN THIS, PLEASE CONTACT ME SO THIS CAN BE FIXED. We are just trying to keep it to one big team.

10. You can log onto the team summary to see our progress along the way and motivate your friends to move more and sit less.

As I mentioned, we are doing our own fitness challenge within our big team.

The top five minute earners for males and the top five minute earners for females (excluding the Diabetes Team Members) will earn a \$25.00 Nike gift card to be used at any Nike store. In addition, there will be five other random drawings for \$25.00 Nike gift cards - the top 10 minute earners will not be eligible for the random drawing. YOU MUST BE ON TEAM 22753 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS FRIENDLY COMPETITION INCENTIVE AND DRAWING. In addition, you must contribute minutes to be eligible for the random drawing. Last year a few signed up but did not post any minutes.

Gundersen Lutheran sends out reminders to you

to enter your midterm and final minutes as well as wellness tips. At the end of the challenge, they have a celebration party and they have prizes including a \$500.00 grand prize and other gift cards. This is a great challenge for youth groups, individuals or departments throughout the Ho-Chunk Nation. At the end of the challenge, we will be able to find out how many people from the Ho-Chunk Nation participated and how many minutes of exercise were accumulated over the 6 weeks. Let's all do our part to log minutes for the Ho-Chunk Nation and be healthier for doing it.

Finally, we are featured in the success stories so take a look at that!

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Location: La Crosse Three Rivers House
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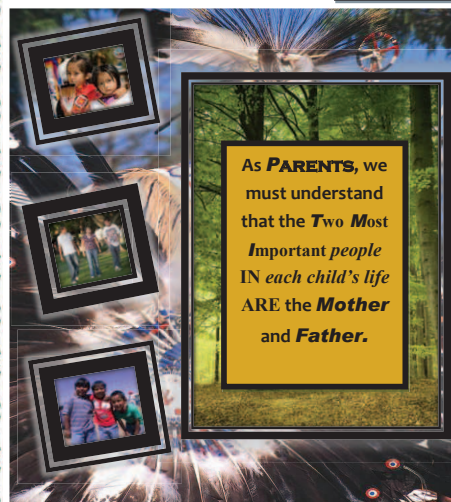
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House of Wellness employees partake in Madison's Polar Plunge

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

For the second year Fitness Specialist Lance Tallmadge along with co-worker and first time Polar Plunge mate, Terrance Johnson took the leap for the Special Olympics benefit on Saturday February 9th.

The mission of Special Olympics Wisconsin (SOWI) is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop

physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community. With seven Regional offices throughout the state, Special Olympics Wisconsin serves nearly 10,000 athletes in approximately 200 communities statewide. SOWI is one of 52 U.S. programs and nearly 170 countries providing this opportunity to more than 4 million athletes around the world.

Team Leader of the Dells Dunkers, Tallmadge said that he always had a place in his heart for the Special Olympics. His job as Native American Student Services Coordinator at the Dells High School gave him a chance to work with kids who were involved with the Special Olympics and he is saddened



The Dells Dunkers Lance Tallmadge, Tim Henke, Leslie Hamilton, Terrance Johnson, Dawn Henke, Schineen Wilkinson and Sheryl Brown.

that the Dells no longer has an Olympics team. He hopes to be able to help bring awareness to the importance of forming another team.

His team was ranked about 17th out of near 80 teams in fundraising this year with a total of about \$2300.00

His team of eight consisted of Terrance Johnson, Sheryl Brown, Leslie Hamilton, Tim Henke, Dawn Jenkins, Matt Pasteris and Schineen Wilkinson some of which are patrons of the House of Wellness. Most of his team will be first time "plungers".



Captain Frybread (Lance) and his Dells Dunkers.

Stewart Miner is inducted into the Wisconsin Dells High School Athletic Hall of Fame

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

On Saturday February 9, 2013, the late Stewart Miner, a 1970 graduate, and Ho-Chunk tribal member was inducted into the Wisconsin Dells High School Hall of

Fame where he joined another honored tribal member, Tim Decorah.

The WDHS Hall of Fame was established in 1999 and previously honored 38 distinguished members.

Stewart reportedly didn't start running until he was a sophomore. The next year he set the record for the mile at 4:28.9 and set the record for the 2 mile run.

Miner earned three letters in track and field and was the second WDHS student-athlete to win a state championship. He also set a track record in the two-mile run at sectionals with a time of 9:49.1, and a conference record (9:50.4).

Miner, who also won two letters in cross country, attended the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse after graduating from WDHS.



Chief Winneshiek also speaks at the induction.



Pat Day speaks on behalf of the Miner family.

Dana Lonetree gives guitar lessons to area students

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

After a biking accident that left him with a broken left arm last year Dana needed some time to heal. Always a lover of music, while recovering from his injuries he messed around with a keyboard but soon turned to the guitar. Maybe it was a form of therapy for his broken arm or for a need to have more music in his life; he exercised his damaged arm by strumming his guitar and practicing finger movement.

He had only been playing guitar for a short time and after he healed enough to go back to work he found himself as a youth coordinator for the Wisconsin Dells area students. This job gave him a chance to help himself learn more of

the instrument while holding classes for several of the kids who want to learn also.

When children learn to play a musical instrument, they strengthen their auditory skills. Recent studies suggest that these benefits extend all through life, at least for those who continue to be engaged with music.

Studies show that music lessons in childhood may lead to changes in the brain that persist years after the lessons stop.

Dana's lessons have only just started but the enthusiasm that the kids have shown is encouraging to this new guitar instructor. Right now with only having a few guitars to go around, he has about 6 kids that can take advantage of these free lessons.

Dana said he likes a variety of music and sees himself at some point doing some writing and performing. With these lessons just starting, he thinks that after a while he would like to get the kids good enough to put on a performance, but right now it may be a bit too soon to think of that.

He enjoys his job as youth coordinator and sees it as a chance to give back. He talked about how when he was younger he ran with the RADD group and he was impacted by how that group's leader Irwin Begay treated him and the team.

He would like to be able to have the same effect on his guitar class.

As far as long range plans Dana would like to get into



Neola Walker, Cheyenne Mike, Alyssa Cranfield, and Dana Lonetree tune their guitars.

working on and possibly building guitars.

Some of the students that are involved are Sterling Cloud, Cheyenne Mike,

Alyssa Boivin, Aspen Lonetree, Sylvia Bissonette, Rita Peters, Aliyah Cloud and Dacia Nakai.

Beloit Casino update

Submitted by William Martin Lowe (Bill) Business Development Manager, Ho-Chunk Nation

The Ho-Chunk Nation desires to develop the property adjacent to the casino site. Keep in mind that only the original purchased property, some 30 acres where the casino will be located, is being requested to be placed into "trust" status for gaming. The current property being discussed for purchase would remain as fee land; subject to all zoning and taxation just as any other commercial property in Beloit.

I have attached our most recent conceptual drawings. The magnitude of this project really requires the Nation to construct in phases. You will note that Phase One concept shows the casino being constructed first. This is done so that the casino can be generating revenue to support the phase two and three construction. The drawing titled "Phase two and three concept site.PNG" includes all construction with a hotel, conference center, retail, and many other venues. Also note that even with two parking

ramps of some 700+ spaces each the amount of projected parking takes up much of the area. Phase two construction would immediately follow on phase one construction; phase two includes the hotel, convention center, and other amenities. Phase three may be a year or two behind phase two as current estimates are placing phase one and two costs in excess of \$200 million.

While the additional land is not a requirement for developing the casino; not having the land would place considerable restraints on

the project. Regardless of tonight's outcome on the additional land the Nation remains committed to delivering on the expectations of this project.

As a footnote, the process for obtaining approval for placing the casino parcel into gaming trust status is moving ahead; slowly, but moving ahead. The draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) should be completed soon and submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for review. Upon their approval the draft will go out to the public



Artist rendition of the Ho-Chunk Casino Beloit.

for review and comment. Further steps in the process will result in a Final EIS with submission of the EIS to the BIA for review and approval at the regional and then Washington DC level. The Governor would also

be involved in approving the site for gaming. (Many of the process steps have been left out here but the essential items summarized) Site approval is still some 18 months+ from a final decision.



The proposed casino site.





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Marie Manicella Whitebean White Eagle

4th Memorial Meeting

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You're invited to join the family in prayer and for meals.

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Legislature candidates make clear their views

Ken Luchterhand, Staff Writer

Twenty three candidates are on the ballot for seats on the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, plus two more people have declared their candidacy through a write-in campaign.

Each of the candidates was given the opportunity to answer two questions for the Hocak Worak. Their participation in the forum was voluntary. Of the 25 declared candidates, 18 submitted their answers to be published.

District 1 Seat 1

Gregory Blackdeer

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?



I decided to run for Legislator as I was encouraged by family and friends. As I think back to those discussions four years ago it has taught me to become a good listener and to be their voice on many issues and topics. I am a firm believer in gathering all the information for the best informed decision on the many topics we vote on. Some the accomplishments thus far include the sponsorship of the Adult At Risk Code, Elder Protection Code, and Adult Guardianship and Conservative Code. I will be working with the Healing to Wellness team on the creation of a code for this team. In the near future creating a new family wellness treatment court and if all goes well create MOUs with other counties for all of our tribal members. I have developed a working relationship with the Black River Falls School District to support the School Districts and Ho-Chunk Nations Memorandum of Understanding which outlines the communication and interaction between both entities. In addition, I have been working with the school district on new teacher hire orientation so those teachers have a better understanding of the Ho-Chunk Nation. I would like to continue to be your voice for the next four years.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

Some of the major issues that are of concern to me consist of housing, education, language, and land.

Housing issues consist of the lack of adequate housing and the need to create more homes by reviewing the existing code and advocate for more funding for the development of new homes and rental homes.

Education I will continue to work with new teacher hire orientation. Meet monthly with school district administrators to bridge gaps between students and their educational needs.

Language is a key component to our Ho-Chunk way of life and I would like to advocate for the need to preserve our language and work with the Language Division to enhance existing programs.

Land we must protect and preserve mother earth. We face many issues with future frac mines and the significant environmental impacts it has on natural resources. We need to work together to overcome these stressful environmental impacts for our people today and our future generations. We can learn a lot from our neighbors and work with other native tribes for the overall protection of our lands.

Forrest Funmaker

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

I am running for District 1, Seat 1 Legislator because I feel my education and work experience have prepared me to do this work with an open mind. I feel confident I can step in from day one and hit the pavement running. I am enthusiastic I can provide the best customer service needed by all tribal members to represent them the best way possible at all levels.



Currently there are a lot of things being missed that should have been addressed a long time ago in regards to the laws and policies of the Nation. District 1 Community Center is also needs to get it done the right way. This means we need the 10 million dollar upgrade at the Waste Water Treatment Plant to be approved. However, the design for this facility also needs to be looked at again with both community and the environment in mind. We need people to feel good about how this center and not just have one group use it.

Recently I went back to school to get a business and marketing degree because of the trend I was seeing with the initiatives to separate business from government. I wanted to make sure I was in a great position to be taken seriously about the financial issues the nation is currently facing.

With my work on the Administration Board and Constitutional Reform Task Force, I believe I have the comprehension and research knowledge to remain objective in regards to every project or priority brought via the people. I have the ability to connect with people.

No answer for Question 2

Jon Pettibone

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

Lots of friends asked me if I would run. It was basically a last minute decision and the belief in what and how I get things done. They know I help people and do things that are right. Be up front to tell them what's going on and making the right choice on issues that affect lives and the direction our Nation is going. At every Area 1 meeting when I ask for support or vote, it's in the best interest of our area and Nation. I tell the members the truth on what they're voting on. I would like to thank my Area 1 members for the backing on what is right and what we vote on. Also thank them for voting me on the Law Enforcement Commission and being on the Healing Center, Wellness and Juvenile Justice. We have come a long way with these committees and we need these to help our people.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

We need a place where our people can be treated and taken care of. Help to better their lives, homelessness, employment, Veteran Affairs and Health. Drug dependency is a main issue coming to our Ho-Chunk lands and it's taking our younger people away too soon. I'm guiding and making the right path for our future for our younger people and trying to educate our older people. I will tell the people what we are doing at meetings as I've done on the committee's I am on now. Be

involved in issues and choices and vote as the area tells me or us, not what I feel. Area people help and make decisions for me to act on and explain why and what our people need. We need to take care of our people. We need Legislators that will work together. We need to find out why some Legislators are not in the best interest of our Nation. We need to move forward and better understand why our people are hurting and people looking the other way with no care in the world. I am concerned with issues that don't stop addiction, homelessness, health and have a place for our Veterans. Pinagigi.

Lance Blackdeer (write-in)

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

It goes back to what my father taught me as a teen. It is said that this is not a position you put yourself. Go about your daily life, be busy, be productive, don't think about it. If the people see you that way, they will tell you. In that sense, I didn't go after this job. When I finally did I had enough people verbally give me support to fill the requirements to be put on that ballot. I waited till I felt it must be more than just a passing thought. This was community support. This election is not about family, it's about community. Win or lose, I did this with the best intentions under the values of Ho-Chunk teachings. I can tell you that I'm about this community and have worked very hard to give back for the things I've been taught. I've gained a huge sense of self respect, and self worth. Being considered solidifies that I'm appreciated. If chosen, I do not come in thinking of myself as a save all. I look at who else is in office, who else is running, this is a team. A younger team that still knows and understands, and most importantly respects our way of life.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

Rebuilding community: We are heading in the right direction, we just need to be more active between government and community. To keep moving forward with Language and Culture. If there are problems with the youth or the elders, let's find them, find a way to fix them, and move forward. If there are no problems, great. One less thing to worry about. But to think there are none would be a mistake that could take us a step backwards. Looking outward: To modernize our facilities, which we need to address the growing drug problems popping up, so our kids can be safe from harm. Roberta Decorah has been pushing this for years, we need to make this happen. Finally, a chance to diversify, which could lead to more jobs outside of gaming. To find partners for projects, to cut costs. Most importantly to uphold and enhance our image. To the community, to Indian country, and the world. We are definitely heading in the right direction, let's not lose any momentum.

Seat 3

Rhonda Winneshiek-Anderson

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?



I have decided to run for Legislator because I feel that I can make a difference in the composition of the Legislature. I feel that we have been stagnant for far too long. We need new ideas and new thoughts on how to keep us moving forward with progressive change. Many of our programs, laws and services need to be updated. With technology and the pace that the outside world is moving at, we need to catch up and stay in line with the everchanging world. With that being said, we also need to keep in mind that we never forget where we came from. I know that this will be a tough journey but it is one that I am willing to take. I have always set my goals high and knew that one day my ultimate goal was to be a Legislator so that I could help our people and this great Nation. People should vote for me because I would be a voice for the people. I am not afraid to speak up and say what needs to be said. I will make your voice heard.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

There are several major issues but I will briefly touch on a few. Laws-I see it that we do not have laws in place that are much needed to protect our Nation and it's tribal members. I would work to develop laws and update the current ones we have to make them align with each other. Housing-The Home Ownership Program needs to be revisited and revamped. I think the original intent was good but it has not changed with the needs of the people. I would work with the Executive Branch and restructure this program and housing needs in general. This would also include transitional housing for our Veterans. Business-we need to expand/upgrade our current sites but we also need to look at diversifying our prospects. There are many options out there if we choose to look beyond our current situation. Fiscal responsibility-I believe that we need to look at saving money and using it wisely. It seems that we don't think about where we want to be financially in 5,10,15 years from now. A few more that I would like to touch on but do not have room for are-Improve services for our youth and elders, communication and Ho-Chunk Preference. If you would like to know more or provide feedback visit Facebook: Vote Rhonda Anderson.

Douglas Greengrass

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

As a young boy, I grew up in a small house, in the Indian mission, where the old commodity building sits. I grew up hearing the Ho-Chunk language and being raised in our Ho-Chunk way of life. Over the years, I've been a Legislator and never forgot where I come from. Our people's concerns have always been important to me. In the past, I've sat on many committees that drafted up laws and ordinances pertaining to the betterment of our people. I want



to humbly represent our people by letting the peoples' voices be heard, addressing their concerns, to help preserve our Ho-Chunk traditions and continue working on projects that will help us prosper as a nation.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

Our decisions made within the Ho-Chunk nation are based upon our peoples' voices, it takes all of us to come together to decide what is best for our nation. A major issue of the Ho-Chunk Nation is Separation of Business and Government. In order to address this concern, it will take major cooperation of our Ho-Chunk people by taking these issues/resolutions before General Council. Another major issue within the Ho-Chunk Nation is that the people are unaware of the agenda items before they are presented before General Council. When these agenda items are read on the day of General Council, this does not give our tribal members enough time to make a sound decision. Due process needs to be given for elected officials on removal charges and due process given on disenrollment of tribal members.

Marlon WhiteEagle

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

Ultimately, I decided to run for Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature because no one else was running at the time I completed my candidate papers. But as you can see on the election notification, more people turned in their paperwork. We are all on the ballot.



First and foremost, people should vote for me if they want to have their input relayed to the legislative body of the Ho-Chunk Nation. The current District 1 Legislators have earned the reputation for abstaining on many issues, which essentially wipes out the voice of District concerns. I plan to cast votes to reflect the area wishes.

Secondly, people should vote for me because whether you're from the Native American Church, Traditional, Catholic, Baptist, or any other religion, I will listen and represent you. Again, current District 1 Legislators have gained the reputation of only represent Traditional interests. I believe an elected official must represent every walk of life, or you weaken representation. To love one another is the most important Ho-Chunk teaching.

I am a Ho-Chunk male, U.S. Marine Corps veteran, and have a college degree in Liberal Arts. I have always been able to get along with the people I work with by respecting them and by earning their respect. I feel I can bring out healthy dialogue needed to unify the divided legislative body.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

I believe the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation are maintaining our cultural identity and investing our time in projects and programs that will make our people strong. I propose to listen to tribal members' concerns and help any way I can.

I'm interested in examining our current codes, ordinances, resolutions, statutes, acts, and laws to ensure the best interests of tribal members are at the forefront. The Ho-Chunk Nation Criminal Code is one that many tribal members want to see developed, again with tribal member's interest in mind. I think the Legislative powers to raise revenue, and to set the salaries, terms and conditions of employment for all government personnel needs to be exercised a bit more. Access

to training and employment of tribal members is a major issue.

I'd like to see Legislature begin setting aside money for a tribal language immersion boarding school. It's been standard practice to have "band aid" fixes for many of the major issues. The Ho-Chunk Nation needs an education system where we can teach the importance of Ho-Chunk cultural values, language, and arts and crafts. Also, it would be a place where we can mold our future leaders. An education system would be the fix our Ho-Chunk "world" needs to be strong.

Algje Wolters

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

I got into this race to give the people a voice. We need to unite as a people to continue to move forward.



I offer a common sense approach and an open mind. I believe with respect for all Tribal Members we can work for the betterment of our Nation. I will listen to our people and give them the answers they deserve. I know that this will not be an easy job and I'm not saying I have all the answers. I think if we all work together and all push in the same direction with confidence and faith, all things are possible. Things won't change overnight and it will take time, patience and compassion for one another. I have faith that the Ho-Chunk people will make the right choices for the Nation's future.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

There are many issues that concern Tribal Members. Enterprise operations are primary because they provide the revenue which offers employment opportunity and program funds. Tribal Members' issues include employment, housing, education and health care. Lack of access to information and lack of transparency are frequently mentioned as problems. We need to develop a list of priorities. We need to get the best information available into the hands of the Tribal Members. That will give the people input in the process and confidence in legislative actions. I have ideas on many issues but as I said above, I don't have all the answers. I hope we can create a common understanding of the issues and their solutions. I believe working together we can do what is right for the people.

**District 2
Seat 2**

Sherman Funmaker

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

I decided to run because I believe I have been a good example to my peers, my elders and the children I have mentored. I believe I have gained the trust of the people that have come to know me and with that trust a responsibility and duty to keep that in mind while representing the people of this great Nation. I think the people will vote for whom they hope will do the best job. I intend to tackle every issue that comes up with an open mind, hearing all sides and discussions thoroughly without any bias. I intend to bring in new ways of dealing with issues that affect all of us. I will keep my constituents informed of all actions of the legislators. I will stand by my decisions and will be able to explain why I have sided one way or another.



A double minded man is unstable in all his ways. James 1:8

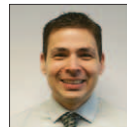
What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

There are many issues that need to be looked at. I believe the lack of housing is something that needs immediate attention. There are homeless Ho-Chunks and that is something we should all be ashamed of. I would ask the housing departments what the issues are and why this problem still exists. I think part of the problem is people waiting on other people to move and while waiting, those that are in need are left holding the bag waiting for a remedy. There is no urgency to get these issues resolved. We really need more effective ways to keep the language alive. I believe we should look into technology to help in the learning process. In this day and age when kids can build websites and maneuver around the internet with ease, I believe there are very effective ways to keep the language at all of our fingertips. I think we should have our own media center where we can produce our own language, training, culture and entertainment programs. We need to make sure all members who want to work are working in the fields best suited to them. We need more training for our members to ensure the most productivity, the most effectiveness and for the employee, the satisfaction of doing a job they enjoy doing.

Henning Garvin

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

I believe that our government exists to protect and provide for the shared well-being and prosperity of its citizens. To effectively do so, I believe the government must have leaders with the determination and energy to persevere through difficult situations, a high level of integrity and accountability, the vision to lead, the mind to make sound decisions, the wisdom to seek input to arrive at shared solutions, and most importantly, the passion and heart to serve the people.



I will always be proud to be Ho-Chunk. I believe there is no higher calling than the service of the people. If I'm given the honor of serving as your Representative, I will work and fight to defend our ways of life, to strengthen our rights to live as Ho-Chunk people, to secure our well-being, be it physical, emotional, spiritual, or financial, to provide an accountable and transparent government, to seek the input of the citizens of our Nation, and to honor our shared history and ancestry by serving with dignity, integrity, honor, care, and respect. I will always seek to do this not only on behalf of those of us here today, but for the generations of Ho-Chunk yet to come.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

As someone involved in efforts to preserve our language, you could reasonably expect me to answer this question by stating the impending loss of our language is the premiere issue we face. While I do feel this is important, I believe we deserve leaders who will put aside their personal biases and priorities and be able to broaden their perspective so they can accurately reflect the will of the People. We deserve someone who understands that the answer to this question may be different for a single mother, a struggling family, a veteran, or a family providing care for an elder. We deserve someone who is able to step back and understand that ultimately all of these things are equally important and intertwined. I will not seek short term solutions

to a limited number of issues, but will empower our communities, increase dialogue and debate, gather input, seek guidance, and build consensus to find shared solutions that provide security for all our people for generations to come. I believe the biggest issue we face is to eliminate barriers we have amongst ourselves so that we can unite our strengths to build a stronger government and stronger communities that can flourish.

Paul Krause

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

I have had a life-long interest in politics, good government and service to the community. Since first working for the Nation in 1990 after graduating from college, I have been interested in how I can serve the Ho-Chunk people and work in assisting the Nation as we move forward. Being an active tribal member, I have volunteered and been elected to many boards and committees. These opportunities have provided me with not only the experience to better understand both the potential and realities of tribal governance, but also stirred my passion for social justice and empowerment of the Ho-Chunk people.



As a legislator, my goal and aim is to utilize my college degree in History and Political Science to honestly and accurately represent while educating District 2 residents in tribal governance. I come to you, the Ho-Chunk people, as a candidate who owes nothing to family nor other affiliations and memberships that so often contribute to initiative-killing nepotism and patronage. My vow to District 2 residents is to fully communicate the issues before the Nation and seek their guidance so I can act in their best interests.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

The Nation faces a number of threats, both external and internal, and it is crucial that we respond proactively.

Internally, we need to address the issue of education, preparation and opportunity for tribal members. While the achievements and efforts of a number of tribal youth continue to be laudable and in desperate need of recognition, far too many of our students fail to achieve at the level needed to both sustain and move the Nation forward in a global economy. The Nation needs to prioritize education and educational attainment as the primary initiative for the next quarter century, as having an uneducated populace will do more to threaten our sovereignty than any other outside threat. We also need to work to insure that tribal members are actively recruited, given the opportunity to serve tribal members and supported in their work.

Externally, as a tribe we need to continue to be a force in moving forward our economic development and diversifying our economy. The Nation needs to be an agent in innovation and supporting initiative with both tribal members and outside entities.

Supremely, we need to stress culture and language and truly incorporate that into tribal governance.

Michael Salloway

Why did you decide to run for legislator and why should people vote for you?

Initially, I had no intention running for Legislator. I considered entering the election when I was specifically asked by a Tribal Veteran. I then learned that I had the support of other community members. As a Tribal member, I have sensed that there is a lack of faith and trust in our government. I believe that many Ho-Chunks question the actions of the Legislature, especially when important decisions are made without input from tribal members. Additionally, my work has involved working with the tribe and seeing first-hand what tribal members need from our government. I have worked for the State of Wisconsin, the Ho-Chunk Nation, and am currently employed by Great Lakes Intertribal Council, Inc. I work as a vocational rehabilitation counselor for Native Americans. I have held this position for over 12 years. As a counselor in the tribal community, I meet Ho-Chunks and other tribal members who seek employment. I find services and programs that develop job skills and help people be independent and successful; so that they can provide for themselves and their families. I am invested in my consumers and the Nation alike. For these reasons, I decided to run for the Legislature.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

The major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation are a lack of faith/trust in tribal government, tribal Per Capita distribution and the exercise of power by Legislators in the "Executive Session."

My proposed solutions are to reduce legislator pay by \$20,000 per legislator per year and replace with incentive/performance-based wage scale. Also, to enact the 2003 General Council Resolution, increasing tribal members per capita to 13,000 dollars per year and to eliminate Legislators' "Executive Session." Tribal issues would be discussed openly, opinions from tribal members encouraged, and legislative decisions made according to consensus of all tribal members.

Seat 3

Roberta Decorah

Why did you decide to run for legislator and why should people vote for you?

As a servant Leader with 20 years of service and experience working within our Ho-Chunk communities, it is my belief that we must listen to our people and address their basic needs of health, housing, employment and educational opportunities for all tribal members. The General Council has directed our tribe through two General Council Resolutions to build a Healing Center for our people. We have recently lost several young people in the past year which were alcohol or drug related. This issue can be addressed by following the steps outlined in the "Ki Jire Nagu" Comprehensive Master Plan. The other critical issues that need to be addressed is: homelessness, improving our healthcare needs for tribal elders and disabled tribal members, expansion and improving of our current gaming facilities and supporting efforts to perpetuate our Hocak language, culture and maintaining our way of life. I have lived here my entire life and I have a sincere desire to listen to tribal members and address their issues in a meaningful way.

What are the major issues of the



Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

These issues can be addressed by re-instituting Legislative Sub-Committees for each Department in Executive. By this process the Legislative Branch will become familiar with operations of each Department which will be advantageous when introducing laws and resolutions to address tribal member needs and budgetary needs in a meaningful way. Another major issue of the Ho-Chunk Nation is healthcare for elders and disabled tribal members which can be addressed by working closely with Executive Branch by developing partnerships with those healthcare agencies that will provide innovative healthcare options.

By comprehensively looking at the homeless issue and identifying critical issues that lead to homelessness and support a Task Force to look at this issue comprehensively and create laws to help our tribal members have a place to call home.

Unemployment of tribal members is an issue that can be addressed by identifying reasons for homelessness and working cooperatively Executive Branch collect and analyze data then as a Legislator creation of a supportive housing network through reviewing current laws and amend current laws. As a Legislator I will support all efforts in perpetuating our Hocak Language, culture and our way of life. I will support the issues of our tribal members by addressing General Council Resolutions that have not been addressed in a meaningful way.

David Greendeer

Why did you decide to run for legislator and why should people vote for you?

I was born in District 2. I still remember what it was like to be poor. I worked at the old ceremonial. I was fortunate to see what our lodges were like when only Hocak was spoken. I was fortunate to as a young child, listening to WWBC, departments and the tribe being built. I remember when we first had smoke shops and bingo halls. I have visited every district in our Nation, and have learned about many of the issues and needs, as well as what works.

I listened to Choka talk every night about our histories, as much as I listened to stories of World War 2 and the struggles our veterans go through. I watched many of my family lose their lives and limbs to alcohol, diabetes, and accidents; I understand what it takes to overcome suffering. I am devoted to our way of life and belief in creator. I accept that I don't know everything and am always learning.

Although I have my masters, bachelors, and HS diploma, education is not everything. Having an understanding of who we are is a key for anyone running for these positions. Being from the area and participating with our people in ceremonies regardless of beliefs is important.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

We have had a threat to our very existence emerge from the past: Mining. Our people were killed and removed over lead deposits and copper deposits. We now live on the sand that corporation's desire and if we do not protect ourselves now, our children will not have a future!

Proposal to handle the issue: Create Urgency, Form a Coalition, Create a Unified Vision, Communicate the Vision, Remove barriers, Create short term wins, Build on change, Anchor the changes for our Nations government



Internal process threats: We have not evolved our technology and run inefficiently in just about every department. These problems are systemic- all connected and result in poor communication, planning and execution.

Proposal to handle the issue: Create Urgency, Form a Coalition, Create a Unified Vision, Communicate the Vision, Remove barriers, Create short term wins, Build on change, Anchor the changes for our Nations government

District threats: We need more housing, opportunities for education (all forms), daycare and for parents to be responsible for their actions and become responsible for their children. We need families to support one another like we used to. The only way our Nation will be strong is if fathers and mothers are willing to put in the work every day, to be good role models for their children.

District 3

Seat 2

Kimberly Waukau

Why did you decide to run for legislator and why should people vote for you?

After much thought and discussion with my relatives and friends I decided to run for District 3 Legislator. I was born into the Buffalo clan and my father Kenneth DeCora taught my brothers and I that we are the speakers of the Ho-Chunk nation. I feel it is my duty to speak for the tribal members of my area and to help in bringing about needed reforms.

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

The major issues I am concerned about are education, the preferential hiring of Ho-Chunks who are licensed or certified, accountability and the separation of business from government. We seem to be following the example of the United States government when it comes to the education of our future generations meaning when budget cuts need to be made it is always Education that is put on the chopping block. In order for our Nation to compete in today's world we need to have as many educated people as possible working for the Ho-Chunk Nation. This leads into my next area of concern, the preferential hiring of Ho-Chunks who are licensed or certified into our professional positions. I worked in the Health Department for 6 years until this past January. We could not hire a young Ho-Chunk woman who was a certified Medical Assistant because the position is already filled with a non-Ho-Chunk. This woman took the time to go to school and receive her certification and she should be given a chance to gain experience in our own clinics. Another issue I strongly believe in is we need to force the President to hold accountable any and all people who steal from the Nation. My last issue I will comment on is the Ho-Chunk Nation needs to diversify in our business affairs. Gambling will not be around forever and we need to look at other potential sources of revenue. Government needs to be separated from Business.

District 5

At-Large

Seat 3

Gregory Littlejohn

Why did you decide to run for legislator and why should people vote for you?

First of all, I wish to thank my constituents and friends for



encouraging me to run for re-election to District 5, Seat 3. Having support of the at-large tribal members and the support of my family made my decision to run for re-election very easy.

I am convinced that there is a brighter future for our Ho-Chunk Nation. I understand that there are many challenges and I look forward to continuing to improve the future well-being of our great Ho-Chunk Nation. I appreciate the fact that my constituents are very supportive of my continued advocacy for their very serious concerns and I will not let them down!

What are the major issues facing the Nation and how do you plan to propose to handle them?

There are numerous major issues that our Ho-Chunk Nation is currently faced with. I am extremely concerned about recent allegations of wrongful acts that have allegedly occurred at our Ho-Chunk Nation facilities. There must be swift and decisive action taken by our Executive Branch in response to these allegations.

We must enact laws and amendments to our existing ordinances to eliminate these kinds of behaviors from reoccurring. I implore the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature and the Executive Branch to work together to take corrective action that will create deterrents that will eliminate these types of acts from happening in the future!

Gaming has been very beneficial to our Ho-Chunk Nation's economy. However, with the advent of online/Internet gaming (which has just recently been legalized in Nevada), our "Golden Buffalo" may soon experience negative financial impacts for our Ho-Chunk Nation. We have a responsibility to our tribal members and employees to stay competitive and flourish in spite of this threat.

In conclusion, I am in complete support of economic diversification. We must diversify our economic development efforts, much like many tribal nations have done in other sectors of the United States. We need to position ourselves to pursue other sources of revenue to supplement our current gaming revenues!

Seat 4

Matt Mullen

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?

My name is Matt Mullen, mother is Mary Decorah-Mullen, and grandfather was Beverly Benjamin Decorah. He was born (1895) at the Mission in Black River Falls, grew up there and around 1930, moved to Chicago where I was born. My wife of 15 years, our four children and I live in Illinois. When encouraged to run for District V Legislator, I felt the Government was lacking efficiency, the Nation's operations weren't swiftly growing and the people's voice through General Council was mostly being ignored. To perpetuate our existence and safeguard our rights, as the Constitution states, individuals must step up and work on behalf of the Nation to protect our interests, culture, traditions, and secure our right to govern ourselves so we can have that more perfect government. I will use my experience of almost 20 years of volunteering and involvement with the Nation to fight for these Constitutional Ideals. You should vote for me because I am a doer. I will use my talents and experience to courageously say what I think even when faced with the criticism this position attracts, maintain my ground for what I believe in, yet be humble enough to take direction from the people.

What are the major issues of the



Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

Corruption – It is essential that we learn from past mistakes, pick up the pieces and move forward with wisdom. I will fight to establish an accounting police force made up of individuals with backgrounds in law enforcement and accounting to forensically audit operations on a daily basis. Just do the math, the numbers don't lie. I promise I will always serve the Nation with honesty, integrity and fairness. **Transparency** - Ho-Chunk People have every right to know what the Government/Legislators are doing on their behalf. The People should have easy access to this information. I support legislation to allow easy access as well as Executive Sessions minutes that should become public after some time. **Community** – We need to take charge at the individual level, tap into our sense of obligation to serve one another and help each other learn and practice the traditional and cultural ways that make us Ho-Chunk. These teachings depend on dedicated and competent tribal members that are willing to be engaged and lead by serving others and reaching out to those that can use this direction. This I will promote. Other issues covered at www.legislatorsmullen.com. This and more is why I ask for your vote.

Patrick Red Eagle

Why did you decide to run for Legislator and why should people vote for you?



I decided to seek another term as HCN Legislator, District 5, Seat 4 and would like your support. The Nation deserves representatives that will be honest and fair when making decisions for the Nation. Providing constituents with information that they have a right to know is crucial, as the interaction this provides helps guide the Legislators in the decisions that need to be made. Having a good working relationship with the other Legislators is beneficial because their support is required on initiatives that will benefit the Ho-Chunk Nation. Gaining the trust of my constituents will always be a priority and being accountable will help gain the level of trust needed as I perform my duties. As a Legislator I will be available to answer questions or hear the concerns that constituents have; however, this includes all constituents not just District 5. The Ho-Chunk Nation is highly regarded as a leader in Indian Country on both the state and national level and I will work to maintain or better yet improve on that status. Please exercise your right to vote and make your voice heard on March 5, 2013.

Just One **VOTE** Can Make A Difference . . .

General Primary Election
Tuesday, March 5, 2013

✓Maintaining Our Cultural Identity
✓Investing in Our Children & the Future
✓Making Every Vote Count

✓A Voice for All

Semper Fidelis - VOTE Marlon WhiteEagle (Maxi Ska Hanazi Ga)

What are the major issues of the Ho-Chunk Nation and how do you propose to handle them?

One of the major issues that needs to be addressed is the separation of business and government. I will continue to support this endeavor because the Nations needs to diversify into other non-gaming economic development businesses. The present system we have in place does not work well for diversifying and needs to be replaced with a separate

corporate entity that will make sound business decisions and not be politically driven. With the separation the Legislators will then be able to focus on amending and writing codes ordinances and statutes. Another issue that requires attention is housing whether it be home ownership, rental, supportive or veterans housing. Education is another area that needs to be addressed so that Ho-Chunks can attain their goals and be self-reliant. We also need to invest time and resources into our youth programs because they are the future leaders. There is a great deal of work that needs to be accomplished and establishing cooperation with other Legislators will go a long way toward resolving these issues.



**VOTE
GREG
BLACKDEER**

DISTRICT 1 LEGISLATOR

- Committed to our Ho-Chunk Way of Life
- Dedicated to our communities and Ho-Chunk families
- Currently represents District 1 and serves as our nation's Vice President

It is a privilege to serve as your representative, to listen and learn from our district members.

It would be an honor to continue this work so please remember to **VOTE March 5, 2013**



Inbox "Greg Blackdeer" with any questions or concerns



**ATTENTION
TRIBAL MEMBERS**
The Committee on Tribal Enrollment has the following vacancy:
District 5 – Seat 2
Length of Term:
4 years from date of Legislative Appointment

Candidate must reside in the District at the time of selection until the term limit ends, unless a redistricting change supersedes a member from the redistricted district.

To qualify you must meet the following:

- Enrolled Tribal Ho-Chunk Member
- Be at least twenty-five (25 years of age)
- Never been convicted of a felony in any tribal, state or federal court and;
- Cannot be determined to be incompetent by a court of law.

All interested Tribal Members should attend the District Area Meeting. Members are selected by eligible voters of each District.

ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF TRIBAL ENROLLMENT @ 800-331-7824 OR 715-284-7824.

Vote Doug Greengrass

Ho-Chunk Nation

Area 1 Legislator Seat 3

Experience:

- FORMER CHAIRMAN OF WISCONSIN WINNEBAGO BUSINESS COMMITTEE
- 26 YEARS AS A LEGISLATOR
- FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION
- FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING
- SERVED ON SEVERAL COMMITTEES:
HOUSING COMMITTEE
FINANCE COMMITTEE
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE
- FORMER MEMBER OF THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRADITIONAL COURT

Military:

- United States Marine Corps Vietnam Combat Veteran
 - Sergeant E-5 Honorable Discharge
 - Two Bronze Stars with Combat V

Goals:

- FOLLOW THROUGH WITH COMPLETION OF SEPARATION OF BUSINESS AND GOVERNMENT.
- INVEST IN CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT WILL:
GENERATE REVENUE
BE SELF-SUSTAINING
CREATE MORE JOBS FOR OUR NATION
- ENFORCE STRICTER PENALTIES FOR INDIVIDUALS IN VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF ETHICS.
- UPHOLD AND STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING OUR TRADITIONS WHILE RESPECTING OTHERS' BELIEFS BY AFFORDING EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS.
- FOLLOW THROUGH WITH PROGRAMS FOR OUR VETERANS, ELDERS AND HANDICAPPED.

VOTE JAMES GREENDEER

~ District 2 • Seat 2 • Legislator ~

Experience:

- Former Acting Chairman of the Wisconsin Winnebago Business Committee
- 18 Years Legislator
- Former Accredited Tribal Veteran Service Officer
- Former Member of the Ho-Chunk Nation Traditional Court
- Dedicated service on tribal committees:
 - Housing Committee
 - Finance Committee
 - Construction Committee
 - Administration Committee
 - Development Committee

Legislative Goals:

- EDUCATION and Restoring Josie White Eagle Scholarship Fund
- Sponsor of Youth Supportive Services and Youth Dependence Prevention
- Sponsor of Ho-Chunk Preference and Job Security
- Sponsor of Veterans Home Ownership and Veterans Supportive Housing
- Sponsor of the Probate Code
- Sponsor of the Separation of Business from Government
- Language and Culture

Military Service:

- Honorable Discharged Vietnam Era Marine Corps. Veteran
 - Combat Engineer • Member of the American Legion
- Member of the Mitchell Red Cloud Detachment • 1363-Marine Corps League

A NEW PERSPECTIVE



Greg Greendeer for District 3 Legislator

- Military Veteran
- UW-Green Bay Senior (Criminal Justice degree track)
- 14 Years Law Enforcement, Supervisor and Field Training Officer in Indian Country

I'm dedicated to protecting and serving Indian communities. I will bring years of military and law enforcement experience to our Legislature and focus on codes that protect our families. When gangs, domestic violence and AODA issues threaten our communities, it's time to put politics aside and deliver the best service we can for our Ho-Chunk homes.

I'm committed to the Ho-Chunk people who make up the communities of District 3 from The Heights to Wittenberg, from Green Bay to Nekoosa and all Ho-Chunk families in between.

Please vote **GREG GREENDEER** on March 5, 2013



VOTE

Garvin for District 2

Seat 2

Putting our Communities First

- **Proven Leadership and Vision**
- **Accountability and Transparency**
- **Responsive to the needs of the people**

I believe in working together with all of our people to build consensus and find shared solutions to the issues we face. Together, I believe we can build a lasting and secure future for generations to come. As a candidate for office, I will only make one promise. Every decision I make will be made with the best interests of the people of our district and of our Nation as a whole at heart.

If you have any questions about my platform or some input about the direction of our Nation please contact me at GarvinForDistrict2@gmail.com



Vote

Forrest Funmaker

District 1, Seat 1 Legislator

March 5th, 2013

**BRINGING TRUST AND HONESTY
BACK TO THE LEGISLATURE**

For the People!

Master's Degree in Arts Education

Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and Marketing Education (May 2013)

Associate in Applied Science Degree in Supervisory Management

Certificate in Indigenous Creative Writing

Dear District 1:

With recent news that our facilities are under attack by our "own" people, it would seem imperative we address our financial safeguards as soon as possible.

Investigations should NOT take years to complete.

We need people who aren't afraid to stand up for the rights of all our people, and not just a few.

We should NOT be rehiring people who already lost us money just to let them do it again.

Transparency in Government is the key to better decision making by all of us as a team, community, district, Nation.

- Propose, amend, or correct at least 48 major pieces of legislation over the next four years as a foundation for performance as a legislator.
- Consolidate Housing Programs.
- Reopen Redistricting in favor of Wisconsin Residents
- Revise ERA and Personnel Department to meet current and future needs of the Nation.
- Analyze current District 1 Community Center plans with Waste Water Treatment Plant upgrade.
- Research how all members of the General Council can be deemed as a Tax Free Status
- Follow up with tribal member needing per cap every month.
- Revise election code.
- Reduce quorum needed for General Council meetings.



WRITE IN SAMANTHA SKENANDORE

JURIS DOCTORATE – UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

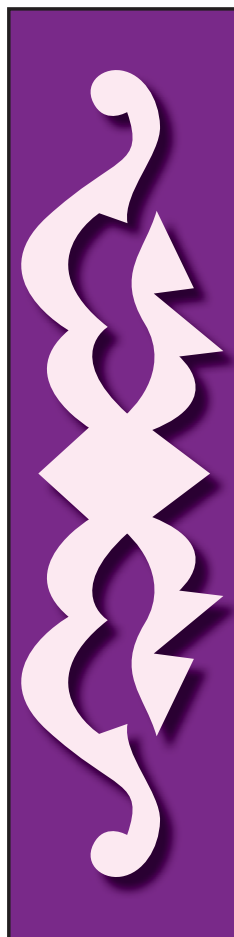
HO-CHUNK NATION SUPREME COURT • ASSOCIATE JUSTICE 1

ON TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013



- ✓ Upholding the laws of the Ho-Chunk Nation; the Constitution, the Nation's laws, the Judiciary Act and the precedent set by the Traditional Court
- ✓ Committed to faithful and impartial performance of duties as Associate Justice 1
- ✓ B.A. 2001 – University of Wisconsin – Madison, Behavioral Sciences & Law, Certificate in American Indian Studies; J.D. 2005 – University of Denver Sturm College of Law
- ✓ Member of the Ho-Chunk Bar since 2006, member of Wisconsin Bar since 2006
- ✓ Over 6 years of active and successful legal practice including representation of the Ho-Chunk Nation, numerous other Nations and tribes, tribally-owned companies and tribal individuals
- ✓ Vigilant pro bono representation of tribal members in domestic violence, child support, child custody and sacred site matters
- ✓ Appeared numerous times before the Ho-Chunk Traditional Court to seek guidance and resolution to controversies of tradition and custom
- ✓ Community Involvement: Dane County United Way, Madison Children's Museum, Gila River Boys & Girls Club Board of Directors

I am humbly seeking your support as a write-in candidate on the March 5 ballot to serve you and to protect, enhance and ensure that our Ho-Chunk tradition, laws and customs are soundly preserved in every decision before the Supreme Court. To learn more about my candidacy or to contact me, please email me at sgreendeer@yahoo.com.



VOTE
RHONDA ANDERSON
"Hakjaguwiga"
Ho-Chunk Nation | District 1 Seat 3 | March 5, 2013



Education and Experience:

- Bachelor Degree in Business Administration-double major in Marketing and Human Resource Management
- Benefits Specialist-HCN Insurance Department
- ERA Coordinator-HCN Personnel Department
- ERA Compliance Officer-HCN Personnel Department
- Marketing Director-Ho-Chunk Gaming-Black River Falls
- Executive Administrative Officer-Office of the President

Priorities:

- Expand current gaming and diversify business
- Fiscal responsibility
- Improve Ho-Chunk Nation services for elders and youth
- See that plans continue moving forward on the District One Community Center
- Ho-Chunk Preference - when Ho-Chunks are qualified they should be hired
- Restructure housing program to meet the needs of members
- Keep tribal members informed by providing updates
- Separation of business from government



We, the Ho - Chunk Nation dedicate ourselves to the fulfillment of the duty to maintain our way of life first, then the government of the people, by the people and for the people whose foundations they laid.

Our Ho - Chunk Nation finds itself confronted by conditions for which there is no precedent in the history of our world. Necessities of the age, in our political, district, community, is an improved efficient mode of communication. Our annual gaming revenues have brought in over one billion dollars in revenue and will amount for billions more in the coming years; monies which must sustain our well being while being wholly inadequate to make this exchange for prosperity. Our future is never in our hands, but in our actions. Technology is both a curse and a blessing to our people, influencing us to take quick action when action is sometimes not necessary. In other instances, technology helps us to monitor and protect ourselves from actions of those who would chose to do us harm.

Power of the People

We believe that the power of our Ho - Chunk government is representative of the power of our people, and that our power should be expanded as far as Creator intended us to balance the teachings of our Ho - chunk ways of life shall justify, to end all forms of oppression, injustice and poverty, let all cease to materialize in our home territory.

Vote: David L. Greendeer, District 2, Seat 3

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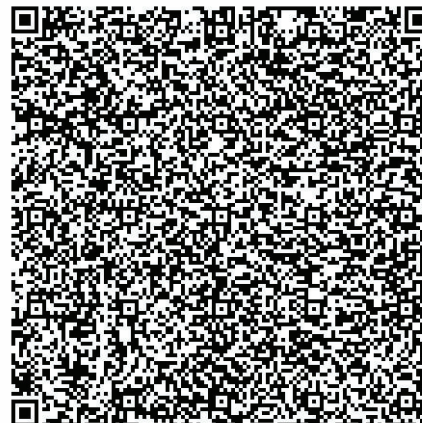
Email: Ho.chunk@yahoo.com

Cell: (608) 658 – 6475

Video Links:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nE7_r125UE

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=af4SxM3TO>



ELECT Sherman Funmaker for District II Legislator

Dear Tribal Member,

After much thought and dialogue with family and friends, I have decided to run for an upcoming District Two Legislative seat. As a concerned tribal member who was born and raised in Wisconsin, I have seen our tribal government in action for many years and have seen the good that can be accomplished when we work together.

I am seeking this position because I feel I have gained the trust of those that have come to know me and am able to act as a responsible ally and representative.

We are at a place in our history where difficult decisions and thoughtful discussions need to take place. Issues like better jobs, job training, adequate housing, improved services, diabetes, health issues and many other concerns that affect all of our well-being need to be discussed and acted upon. I believe we should look into using media and technology to further our learning, teaching and training capabilities to be able to keep up with growing trends.



Our language is also so very important and we need more ways to make sure it will never die. Possibly using the internet to set up a learning station that is easily accessible to members that will allow us to learn at our own pace and time.

Our needs are great and although we are a blessed people, and we should never forget that, in order for future generations to flourish we need to band together and work as one Nation to do all that is in our power to keep our language, our culture and our history one that we will continue to be proud of.

As a Nation working toward our goals, together we will always be more powerful than any division, separations and disagreements that may keep us from accomplishing what is good for all.

Yes, there are many concerns with our people and those issues are ones that affect all of us. I will look to our leaders, elders and tribal members to guide, direct and influence the decisions that need to be made. I will work hard to keep this promise to you. My door will always be open to those with issues to discuss.

While we know not what tomorrow holds, we do know that what can be done today to remedy any issues that will define us as a people... today and forever.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Let your voice be heard.

Sincerely yours,
Sherman Funmaker

shermanfunmaker@yahoo.com • (608) 408-9652

University of Wisconsin-Baraboo 2006 Graduate • University of New Mexico 2007 Media Arts

VOTE



Vote for

Dr. Jeremy Patrick Rockman, Ed.D.
for Associate Justice I
Tuesday, March 5, 2013

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology,
University of Wisconsin
– Eau Claire

Master of Arts,
Educational Psychology
– University of Minnesota

Doctor of Education,
Administrative & Policy
Studies in Education
– University of California
at Los Angeles

Honorably Discharged
Combat Veteran
(USMC – Republic of Vietnam)

Greetings to members of the Hocak Wazijaci electorate from Dr. Jeremy P. Rockman, Ed.D., candidate for the position of Associate Justice I of the Supreme Court. I decided to run for this elected position upon discovering that no one had declared their candidacy as late as two days prior to the deadline. Since this is an important position associated with the appellate court mechanism in the tribe's judiciary system, and I met all of the requirements of candidacy, I appropriately filed my papers in timely fashion.

Along the route of my academic experiences, I acquired a broad understanding of the field of law through courses in Civics, American Government, and History at the high school level, and Business Law, and International Law at the graduate level, and Educational Law at the doctoral level. One of the requirements for passing the course in International Law was to read and write a ten page book review of K.

Gryzbowski's 650 page Soviet Public International Law. That was where I was introduced to the elements of my appreciation of Native American treaty law. International law among nations is universally uniform and applies even to our small tribal nation.

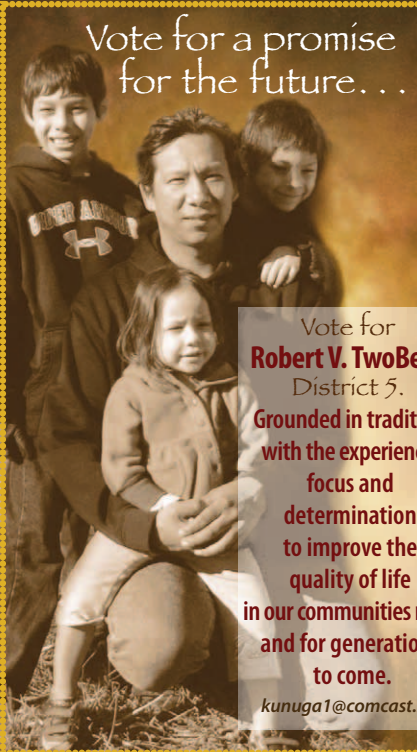
When the tribe was contending with the notorious Glen Corrie "Six Pack" era in 1990 – 1992, I orchestrated the entire flow of documentation to Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, Senators, Congressmen, Field Solicitor, Office of the Solicitor General and U.S. Department of Justice in order to justify the issuance of a Declaratory Injunctive Relief Action on behalf of the Wisconsin Winnebago Nation (then officially known as) in order to effectively address a split tribal government and illegal gaming. Consequently, those efforts resulted in the gaming industry as you see it today and the quarterly per-capita payments which have been issued over the

past two decades. All of those letters of state pertaining to that era were written by me acting in the capacity of Administrative Officer.

My latest engagement in the arena of tribal affairs was the controversial duel over Hocak Preference which tribal members read about in the Hocak Worak this past autumn. Anyone familiar with the literary contest which occurred in those issues will recall that there was no final response by the former editor who took a position in opposition to my advocacy for Hocak Preference. It takes confidence, commitment and knowledge to take a stand on issues. I particularly like the statement: "If you don't stand for something, you'll fall for anything!" Take a stand for the Hocak Wazijaci Howacena by casting your vote for me in the forthcoming election on Tuesday, March 5, 2013.

Cordially yours,
Dr. Jeremy Patrick Rockman, Ed.D.

Vote for a promise
for the future...



Vote for
Robert V. TwoBears
District 5.
**Grounded in tradition,
with the experience,
focus and
determination
to improve the
quality of life
in our communities now,
and for generations
to come.**
kunuga1@comcast.net

Community Breakfast

Nekoosa Community Building

2nd Friday of
each month



March 8th

April 12th

May 10th

June 14th

July 12th

August 9th

September 13th

October 11th

November 8th

December 13th

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Come and enjoy meal, activity, and free raffle drawing
Sponsored by the Diabetes Grant

Roberta Decorah "Manak suc jelga" District II, Seat 3



Elect a Servant Leader on March 5th!

- o Twenty years of service working in the Ho-Chunk Communities.
- o Believes in the 3R's of RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, and RESILIENCE.
- o Sincere desire to serve you with RESPECT and HONOR.
- o Believes in perpetuating our Hocak Language, Culture, and Teaching with emphasis on Hocak values.
- o Expansion and improving our current Gaming Operations
- o Continuing the journey of separating Business from Government.
- o Building the "Ki Jire Nagu" Healing Center for the sake of the young people
- o Building partnerships to enhance future endeavors.
- o Leveraging of tribal dollars.
- o Improving Healthcare for WAK SIK XETE and disabled Tribal Members.
- o Improving Educational opportunities for Tribal Members.
- o Adequately addressing Housing needs for all Tribal Members.
- o Comprehensive planning in all efforts on behalf of Tribal Members.

Personal Mission Statement:

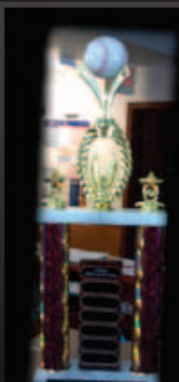
"My mission is to have a strong bond with my family with emphasis on spirituality, love, respect and integrity; to reach out to others in need; to increase my knowledge; to have work I deem meaningful; to embrace peace and tranquility by comforting and nurturing my soul."

Professional Mission Statement:

"My mission is to have a strong code of ethics with emphasis on honesty, trust and integrity; to help those with the greatest need and accomplish what is achievable; by increasing my knowledge and maintaining camaraderie with those who share a common vision."

I have a sincere desire to address the needs of our Ho-Chunk People. I, ask you PLEASE VOTE for a SERVANT LEADER. We have many issues that need to be addressed for all tribal members.

Hoocak Baseball Tournament



Hoocak Baseball Adult trophy

It's that time year again for Hoocak
Baseball tournaments!

Register by: March 1, 2013 (4 player Min.)

Playoff Date: May 9, 2013

Time: 8am-4:30pm

Everyone is welcome to watch!



2012 Adult Champions: "Cn Hiraara, HHCDA & Ho-Chunk Housing"



2012 Youth Champions:
"The Good Guys"



Will your
team be our
next Hoocak
Baseball
champions?



Hoocak Baseball Tournament Hoocak Waazija Hasi Language Division

- Mail, fax, or email the completed registration forms to:
Rita.Kingswan@Ho-Chunk.com in BRF or
Ken.Littlegeorge@Ho-Chunk.com in Tomah or
Carvle.Greendeer@Ho-Chunk.com in WI Dells
Fax: 1-608-847-7203

NOTICE AND RULES OF GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013



Notice is hereby served to all eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation that the Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board, in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation has called a General Primary Election. ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS and the Election Ordinance 2 HCC Sec. 6, states in relevant part:

3. Elections, c. Primary Election and Runoff Elections.

(1) Primary Elections shall be held prior to an Election in order to ensure compliance with the majority vote requirement as provided for in paragraphs 1c and 1e, above.
(2) If no candidate in any Primary Election receives more than 50% of the votes cast in such Election, the two candidates with the highest vote totals from the Primary Election (and any candidates) tied with the lower of such totals) shall appear on the ballot in the Runoff Election. When there are two (2) seats vacant in a district, the top two (2) vote getters for any vacant seats, if no candidate has received 50% + 1 vote, shall be on the ballot for the General Election or Runoff Election.
(3) Primary Elections shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by this Ordinance and in accordance with the timetable adopted by the Election Board.

LEGISLATURE

District 1: Seat 1

Gregory Blackdeer
Forrest Funmaker
Jon Pettibone

Seat 3
Rhonda Winneshiek-Anderson

Douglas G. Greengrass
Marlon White Eagle
Algie A. Wolters "Augie"
July 2013 – June 2017

District 2: Seat 2

Sherman Funmaker
Henning Garvin
James Greendeer
Paul M. Krause
Michael Sallaway

Seat 3
Robert M. Decorah
Robert Louis Funmaker, Jr.
David L. Greendeer
July 2013 – June 2017

District 3: Seat 2

Darren Brinegar
Gregory Greendeer
Kimberly Waukau
July 2013 – June 2017

District 5: At-Large Seat 1

Robert V. Two Bears
Kathyeen Vidette Lonetree-Whiterabbit

Seat 3
Gregory A. Littlejohn
Seat 4

Matt Mullen
Patrick Red Eagle
July 2013 – June 2017

SUPREME COURT Chief Justice

Six (6) Year Term
Mary Jo Brooks Hunter
July 2013 – June 2019

Associate Justice 1
Four (4) Year Term
Dr. Jeremy Patrick Rockman, EDD
July 2013 – June 2017

ELIGIBLE VOTERS:

Any enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation who is at least eighteen (18) years old and who has resided in their respective district for at least three (3) months. See *Election Board Ordinance Sec. 9 (b)*.

REGISTRATION:

Each person seeking to vote must register at the polling place. If a person cannot write, that person must sign his/her name with a mark before two (2) witnesses. A Ho-Chunk translator will be available to assist any tribal member who requests assistance.

ELIGIBILITY DISPUTES:

Any individual whose name does not appear on the eligible voters list can claim the right to vote by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board. Any eligible voter may challenge the eligibility of an individual's name appearing on the eligible voters list by presenting a written challenge to the Election Board.

The Election Board shall rule on all written challenges to the list of eligible voters immediately after the close of the challenge period. Page 20 Section 2, (Deadline, Wednesday, February 13, 2013).

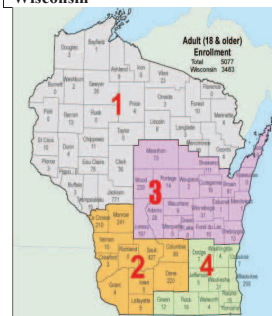
Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board
206 South Roosevelt Road
P.O. Box 756
Black River Falls, WI. 54615
TELEPHONE (715)284-8900
TOLL FREE (800)890-0583
FAX NUMBER(715)284-8600
E-MAIL:
Election.board@ho-chunk.com

Deadline to challenge the candidates (s) list to Election Board is Wednesday, February 13, 2013@ 4:30 p.m

ABSENTEE VOTING:

A voter may vote by absentee ballot provided the Election Board receives the absentee ballot request in writing no later than Friday, March 1, 2013 by 4:00 P.M. See *Election Board Ordinance, Page 13, sec. 11 a(1)* Requests MUST INCLUDE the eligible voter's name printed or typed (with signature), physical address where the ballot will be delivered (we use UPS Next Day Air – UPS Next Day Air will not deliver to a P.O. Box), daytime telephone number and enrollment number.

Please check eligible voter's lists for your Districts. District 5 all areas outside the state of Wisconsin



Absentee Ballots must be received before 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 5, 2013.

Absentee ballots may be returned by overnight mail, so they may be received at the Election Board Office or the polling places prior to the Election Day. **NOTE THAT FEDEX and UPS NEXT DAY AIR DOES NOT DELIVER IN BLACK RIVER FALLS ON SATURDAYS.**

POSTING ELECTION

RESULTS:

The Election Board shall certify and post the official election results within three (3) days after the date of election.

CONTESTING OF ELECTION

RESULTS:Any member of the Ho-Chunk Nation may challenge the results of any election results within ten (10) days after the Election Board certifies the results. The Trial Court shall hear and decide a challenge to any election within twenty (20) days after the challenge is filed in the Trial Court.

ELECTIONEERING:

There shall be no electioneering within fifty (50) feet of any polling places.

CHALLENGES TO THE ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 4:30 PM Wednesday, February 13, 2013

LAST DAY TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS
Friday, March 1, 2013 @ 4:00 PM

GENERAL ELECTION
Tuesday, June 4, 2013

POLLING PLACES:

OPEN AT 8:00 A.M AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M.

•**BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI**
HHCDA
INDIAN MISSION
715/284-8900

•**TOMAH, WI**
TRIBAL AGING UNIT
358 EOS ROAD
608/372-4547

•**LACROSSE, WI**
LACROSSE BRANCH OFFICE
724 MAIN STREET
608/783-6025

•**BARABOO, WI**
HOUSE OF WELLNESS
52845 WHITEEAGLE ROAD
608/355-1254

•**WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI**
CHAK-HAH-CHEE COMM. BLD.
916 CHAK-HAH-CHEE LANE
715/886-5444

•**WITTENBERG, WI**
TRIBAL AGING UNIT
W17956 WITT-BIRN
TOWNLINE ROAD
715/253-3536

•**CHICAGO, IL**
CHICAGO BRANCH OFFICE
5744 W IRVING PARK RD
773/202-8433

•**MILWAUKEE, WI**
MILWAUKEE BRANCH OFFICE
3501 S. HOWELL AVENUE
414/747-8680

•**ST PAUL/MINNEAPOLIS, MN**
MPLS/ST PAUL BRANCH OFFICE
1821 UNIVERSITY AVE.
Suite 409 N
651/641-1801

•**MADISON, WI**
MADISON BRANCH OFFICE
1320 MENDOTA STREET
608/277-9741
608/277-9964

•**WISCONSIN DELLS, WI**
INDIAN HEIGHTS BLDG.
N9557 DYER AVENUE
715/299-6104

•**GREEN BAY, WI**
BRANCH OFFICE
1047 9th STREET
920/360-1898

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, March 5, 2013

POST NOTICE OF ELECTION
Monday, December 10, 2012

POST ELIGIBLE VOTERS LIST
Sunday, February 3, 2013